RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2609

Docket No.: 1075.1237

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yusaku FUJII

Serial No. 10/705,455

Group Art Unit: 2624

Confirmation No. 6699

Filed: November 12, 2003

Examiner: Stephen R. Koziol

For:

ORGANISM CHARACTERISTIC DATA ACQUIRING APPARATUS, AUTHENTICATION

APPARATUS, ORGANISM CHARACTERISTIC DATA ACQUIRING METHOD,

ORGANISM CHARACTERISTIC DATA ACQUIRING PROGRAM AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM ON WHICH THIS PROGRAM IS RECORDED

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: MAIL STOP AF

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2007, having a period for response set to expire on December 28, 2007. A Petition for a one-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination, together with the requisite fees for same, are submitted herewith, thereby making the period for response end on January 28, 2008.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.